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In re Application of

Akihiro TACHIBANA, et al.

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METHOD, AND HOLOGRAPHIC RECORDING MEDIUM

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION AND  
RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2006, please consider the following:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.